

THE PLANNING AREA

REGIONAL SETTING

The Town of Biscoe is located near the mid-point of the eastern boundary of Montgomery County. This places it just within the southeastern edge of the Piedmont Region of North Carolina.

As the accompanying map indicates, Biscoe is within easy driving distance of Asheboro to the north, Sanford to the east, Rockingham to the south, and Albemarle to the west.

Troy, the county seat and largest municipality of Montgomery County, is located seven miles to the west of Biscoe. Star, to the north, is Biscoe's nearest neighbor. Their town limits are less than two miles apart.

The Greensboro-High Point metropolitan area is approximately fifty miles to the north of Biscoe. Charlotte, the largest city in North Carolina, is about seventy miles to the west; and Raleigh, the State Capital, is eighty-five miles to the northeast.

TRANSPORTATION

The most heavily traveled highway in Montgomery County is U. S. Highway 220. It runs through the eastern edge of the county, in a north-south direction, along the top of a large ridge (see TOPOGRAPHY AND GEOLOGY, page 2). This highway connects Rockingham to the south with Greensboro to the north, and continues on into Virginia. U. S. 220 runs through the center of Biscoe, paralleling the Norfolk Southern Railroad.

N. C. Highway 24-27 runs in an east-west direction through Montgomery County. This highway also carries a heavy volume of traffic, from Morehead City to Charlotte and points west. It passes through the northern end of Biscoe's business district, crossing U. S. 220 at that point.

No Interstate Highway or Four-Lane Intrastate Highway comes near Biscoe or Montgomery County. Relocation and improvement of